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### WARM UP

What does discipling your neighbours look like for you?

### WORD

Read [John 15:12-17](#)

Building a firm foundation in people's lives by which they can grow from and become fruitful in is a key component in the discipling of our neighbours. Building the right foundation, giving them the right tools, and fostering an environment to thrive in all contribute towards them becoming fruitful disciples.

### NOTES

## 1 DISCIPLESHIP IS RELATIONSHIP

<sup>12</sup> *"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.*

[John 15:12](#) (ESV)

This is Jesus' final address to His disciples before the road to the cross begins. He makes special mention of key points that He wants His disciples to remember and live out. We are encouraged to replicate the love Jesus has shown us to the people around us.

- If discipleship is relationship, then relationships are built on journeys. Who are the people that have helped establish your foundation in your walk with Christ and how have they helped you in building this foundation?

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## 2 FOCUS ON THE FATHER

<sup>44</sup> *And Jesus cried out and said, "Whoever believes in me, believes not in me, but in him who sent me. <sup>45</sup>And whoever sees me, sees him who sent me.*

[John 12:44-45](#) (ESV)

Jesus always reminded people that He was sent here by His Father, that He was going about His Father's business.

- What do you think the "Father's business" means? In what ways in your own life can people say or see that you are going about the Father's business?

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## 3 PATIENCE WITH PEOPLE

Jesus' patience for His disciples is a great example for us in how we should be patient when discipling our neighbours.

- How does being impatient work against us when we are trying to disciple our neighbours?

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### APPLICATION

- What practical ways or tools are part of your discipling toolkit? (e.g. being relational, One 2 One booklet).

### PRAYER

- Pray for areas that you want to improve in with regards to going about the Father's business of making disciples.
- Pray for your VIP list of people that God is leading you to engage and build with.
- Pray that wherever the Holy Spirit will lead us, His words will come forth and boldness and courage will take over the conversation, leading people to a personal relationship with Christ.